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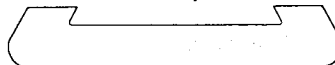
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IRANIAN AND IRAQI TROOP DISPOSITIONS
AL BASRAH AREA, IRAQ

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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: IRANIAN AND IRAQI DEPLOYMENTS IN THE AL BASRAH AREA ON _____

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2. (SWN) REMARKS: IRANIAN FORCES DEPLOYED EAST AND NORTHEAST OF AL BASRAH ON _____ INCLUDED MAJOR ELEMENTS OF AT LEAST TWO ARMORED BRIGADES, THREE LARGE INFANTRY FORCES, 11 SELF-PROPELLED GUN (SPG) BATTALIONS, ONE SPG BATTERY, 11 FIELD ARTILLERY (FA) BATTALIONS, ONE HAWK BATTERY, TWO COMMAND POSTS (CP), TWO ENGINEER UNITS, ONE MAINTENANCE UNIT, AT LEAST TWO HEAVY LIFT UNITS AND AT LEAST SIX SUPPLY AND TRANSPORT (S&T) UNITS. OF THESE FORCES, ONE BATTALION-SIZE ARMORED UNIT AND ONE INFANTRY FORCE REMAINED DEPLOYED IN IRAQI TERRITORY.

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(SWN) IRANIAN FORCES DEPLOYED NORTH OF AL BASRAH, IN IRAN, ALONG THE IRAN-IRAQ BORDER INCLUDED MAJOR ELEMENTS OF ONE ARMORED BRIGADE, ONE LARGE INFANTRY FORCE, AND ONE SPG BATTALION.

(SWN) IRAQI FORCES, WHOSE LEAD ELEMENTS WERE DEPLOYED NORTH AND EAST OF AL BASRAH _____ INCLUDED MAJOR ELEMENTS OF ONE ARMORED DIVISION, FOUR BRIGADE-SIZE ARMOR FORCES, ONE TANK BATTALION, AND FOUR LARGE INFANTRY UNITS. IRAQI FORCES DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF THESE FRONT-LINE UNITS INCLUDED SIX BRIGADE-SIZE ARMOR FORCES, THREE SPG BATTALIONS, 20 FA BATTALIONS, FOUR MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHER (MRL) BATTERIES, FOUR SA-6 BATTALIONS, ONE SA-2 BATTALION, ONE ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTILLERY (AAA) BATTALION, FIVE AAA BATTERIES, ONE ENGINEER UNIT, AT LEAST THREE S&T UNITS, AT LEAST ONE HEAVY-LIFT UNIT, AND ONE COMMAND POST (CP).

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(SWN) IRAQI FORCES DEPLOYED ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SHATT-AL ARAB WATERWAY INCLUDED ONE BRIGADE-SIZE ARMOR FORCE, ONE LARGE INFANTRY UNIT, TWO SA-2 BATTALIONS, TWO GSP RIVER CROSSING UNITS, THREE PMP RIVER CROSSING UNITS, ONE ENGINEER UNIT, ONE MAINTENANCE UNIT, TWO HEAVY LIFT UNITS AND AT LEAST FOUR S&T UNITS. FOUR FA BATTALIONS WERE DEPLOYED 25 NM SOUTHEAST OF AL BASRAH [REDACTED]

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(SWN) IRAQI DEFENSIVE MEASURES NORTH AND EAST OF AL BASRAH [REDACTED] CONSISTED OF THREE DEFENSIVE LINES. THE FIRST DEFENSIVE LINE, ALONG THE IRAQ-IRAN BORDER CONSISTED OF ANTITANK DITCHING AND INFANTRY POSITIONS. THE SECOND DEFENSIVE LINE CONSISTED OF A DEFENSIVE EARTHEN BERM WITH INTERCONNECTED TRIANGULAR-SHAPED STRONGPOINTS. THE THIRD DEFENSIVE LINE, UNDER CONSTRUCTION [REDACTED] ALSO CONSISTED OF A DEFENSIVE EARTHEN BERM WITH INTERCONNECTED TRIANGULAR-SHAPED STRONGPOINTS. [REDACTED] IRAQI FORCES BEGAN EXTENDING THE DEFENSIVE LINE ALONG THE NORTHWEST/SOUTHWEST WATER BARRIER. THIS NEW DEFENSIVE LINE WAS UNDER CONSTRUCTION NORTHWEST OF THE WATER BARRIER AND CONSISTED OF DEFENSIVE EARTHEN BERMS WITH C-SHAPED INTERCONNECTED STRONGPOINTS. IRAQI DEFENSIVE MEASURES OBSERVED BETWEEN THE DEFENSIVE WATER BARRIER AND THE SHATT AL ARAB, SOUTHEAST OF AL BASRAH, CONSISTED OF TWO DEFENSIVE BERMS WITH C-SHAPED INTERCONNECTED STRONGPOINTS AND TWO EARTHEN BERMS (ONE UNDER CONSTRUCTION) WITH TRIANGULAR-SHAPED INTERCONNECTED STRONGPOINTS. (PERSIAN GULF SECTION, [REDACTED])

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